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October 18, 2004

Senator Neal J. Kedzie 11th Senate District State Capitol P. O. Box 7882 Madison, WI 53707-7882

Re:

2003 AB365, 2003 Wisconsin Act 140 Creating

Section 755.21, Wis. Stats.

Dear Senator Kedzie:

Please recall that you were a Senate sponsor of the above captioned bill. Myself and all the representatives of the various communities comprising my court again thank you for the time and effort you put forth in getting this bill passed and signed. Unfortunately, there is some controversy arising out of the drafted language of the new statute. Many people read the newly created statute as indicating the net proceeds, after costs of collection, is the new forfeiture amount. Therefore, the state continues to receive the full amount of its assessments and surcharge. I know that the intent of the bill was to have everyone who is entitled to a share of the forfeiture also share in the cost of collection. Under this interpretation, that does not occur.

We are in a quandary as a result. We assume that the monies we are collecting should be reduced across the board by the cost of collection. I know that was the intent of the bill as reflected in our testimony in both the Assembly and Senate committees. I have been directed by my communities to ask for your assistance in clarifying this issue. Perhaps your office could send me a note back as to your understanding of the intent of the bill.

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November 8, 2004

Senator Neal Kedzie 11th Senate District Room 313 South State Capitol P.O. Box 7882 Madison, WI 53707

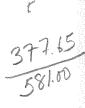
Re: 2003 Wisconsin Act 140

Dear Senator Kedzie:

I follow up my phone conversation with Matt Phillips of your office on November 1st in response to my recent correspondence regarding the above. In my conversation with Matt, I attempted to clear up some confusion regarding how the language of the Act operates. As I promised Matt, I enclose a copy of the Municipal Court Bond Schedule which allows me to provide you with concrete examples as to how the Act unintentionally operates.

As you know, the Act says that after the cost of collection, the reduced amount collected will be the new forfeiture amount. As you can see in Example #1, a \$102.00 forfeiture is reduced by the 25% collection fee to \$77.20. The only entity paying the cost of collection is the community receiving the fine, and the state receiving the 24% penalty assessment. The county jail fee, court costs, court costs state, and crime lab all remain the same without participating in the cost of collection.

In our case, the cost of collection through Waukesha County is 35%. Example #2 is a drunk driving ticket, carrying an original forfeiture of \$581.00. In this case, \$581.00 is reduced by the 35%, which leaves \$377.65 for distribution. The surcharge charge remains at \$355.00, crime lab at \$7.00, court costs local and state at \$23.00, and the jail fee at \$10.00. Taking all these required costs out, either the community or the state owe a \$17.35 shortfall for issuing a drunk driving ticket that was referred to collection.



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Senator Neal J. Kedzic October 18, 2004 Page 2

I would also invite you to either appear in person or call in at this court's next Operations Committee meeting which is scheduled for Wednesday, November 10th at 2:00 p.m. This meeting will take place at the Village of Oconomowoc Lake Village Hall located at 35328 Pabst Road in Oconomowoc. If you are calling in, the phone number would be (262) 567-5301.

I look forward to hearing from you or seeing you on November 10th. If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me at (414) 771-7780 Monday through Thursday, or at other times on my cell phone (262) 227-9779.

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Operations Committee cc:

Pamela Strunk-Court Clerk

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Senator Neal Kedzie November 8, 2004 Page 2

Example #3 is a total forfeiture of \$319.00. 35% of that equals approximately \$207.40. Again, the state penalty assessment and the community bear the entire cost of collection, with most of it coming from the community's coffers.

I believe the purpose of the law was to ensure that each portion of the forfeiture would share in the cost of collection, whatever the percentage was. That would be an easy mathematical formula, be it 25%, 35%, or whatever figure applied across the board to the net amount collected. Not only do I believe that the law as written shorts the communities and thereby keeps in place a disincentive to collecting sums due, but it also presents a mathematical nightmare in trying to figure out what is due to whom without calculating each and every item by hand.

I hope this clarifies some of the confusion, and perhaps you will be able to suggest a solution. I believe that this presents a continuing problem for all municipal courts in the state.

Very truly yours,

Douglas R. Stern
Municipal Judge

cc: Representative Ann Nischke Operations Committee

TO: 46948



TO: Lonnie Lief

From: Matt

Pages to Follow: 8

Lonnie:

Attached is:

- Your email to me
- Doug Stern's first letter to me
- Doug Stern's follow-up letter to me
- Municipal Court Bail Schedule the document that references the surcharges and assessments we would like to include.

Please call if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

Matt Phillips

Phillips, Matt

From: Sent:

Drafting Arry Lief, Madelon Wednesday, November 10, 2004 10:52 AM

To:

Phillips, Matt

Subject:

Amendment to s. 755.21

Matt: I talked to Bob Nelson and have an idea of how to amend s. 755.21 to deal with the problem raised by the judge. After the second sentence in the statute, I would amend the rest of it so that it reads (roughly) as follows: "After paying the collection agency, the municipal court shall retain the cost of collecting surcharges and distribute, on a pro rata basis, the remaining proceeds under s. 66.0114 (1) (bm) and (3) (b) and (c). "The outstanding question, though, is which surcharges the judge has in mind. It's our understanding that most surcharges go to the state. Perhaps it makes sonse to include all surcharges, but that's really a policy call.

Lonnie

Madelon (Lonnie) Lief Senior Legislative Attorney Legislative Reference Bureau 608-267-7380 madelon.lief@legis.state.wi.us

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ASSEMBLY BILL 365 (LRB -2429)

An Act to create 66.0114 (1) (d) of the statutes; relating to: authorizing municipal courts to contract with collection agencies and the sharing of collection costs by cities, villages, towns, and counties.

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09-18.	A.	Introduced by Representatives Nischke, Foti, Vrakas, Nass, Bies, Friske, Gard, Gunderson, Hines, Jensen, Kestell, Ladwig, F. Lasee, M. Lehman, McCormick, Musser, Ott, Staskunas, Townsend, Van Roy, Taylor, Plouff, Pettis, Weber, J. Wood and Grothman; cosponsored by Senators Kedzie, Roessler and Stepp.	
05-28.	A.	Read first time and referred to committee on Urban and Local Affairs	217
06-03.	A.	Fiscal estimate received.	
07-15.	A.	Public hearing held.	
09-18.	Α.	Assembly substitute amendment 1 offered by Representative Nischke (LRB s0148)	. 360
10-07.	Α.	Executive action taken.	
10-15.	Α.	Report Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 adoption recommended by committee on Urban and Local Affairs, Ayes 8, Noes 0	. 431
10-15.	A.	Report passage as amended recommended by committee on Urban and Local Affairs, Ayes 8, Noes 0	. 431
10-15.	A.	Referred to committee on Rules	. 431
10-16.	A.	Placed on calendar 10-21-2003 by committee on Rules.	
10-21.	A.	Read a second time	. 442
10-21.	A.	Assembly substitute amendment 1 adopted	. 442
10-21.	A.	Ordered to a third reading	
10-21.	A.	Rules suspended	
10-21.	A.	Read a third time and passed	
10-21.	A.	Ordered immediately messaged	
10-22.	S.	Received from Assembly	. 427
10-22.	S.	Read first time and referred to committee on Homeland Security, Veterans and Military Affairs and	400
		Government Reform	. 428
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01-14.	S.	Public hearing held.	
01-22.	S.	Executive action taken.	
01-23.	S.	Report concurrence recommended by committee on Homeland Security, Veterans and Military Affairs and Government Reform, Ayes 5, Noes 0	. 572
01-23.	S.	Available for scheduling.	
02-02.	S.	Placed on calendar 2-3-2004 by committee on Senate Organization.	500
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2003 - 2004 LEGISLATURE

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2003 ASSEMBLY BILL 265/

May 28, 2008 – Introduced by Representatives Nischke, Foti, Vrakas, Nass, Bies, Friske Gard, Gunderson, Hines, Jensen, Kestell, Ladwig, F. Lasee, M. Lehman, McCormick, Musser, Ott, Staskunas, Townsend, Van Roy, Taylor, Plouff, Pettis, Weber, J. Wood and Grothman, cosponsored by Senators Kedzie, Roessler and Stepp. Referred to Committee on Urban and Local Affairs.

AN ACT to create 66.0114 (1) (d) of the statutes, relating to authorizing municipal courts to contract with collection agencies and the sharing of collection costs by cities, villages, towns, and counties.

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Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the municipal court collects forfeitures and certain assessments and surcharges for violations of city, village, and town ordinances and disburses them to the appropriate municipal entities and, in some instances, to the counties current law als (No. F)

Machinauthorizes the municipal court to contract with a collection agency to collect these forfeitures, assessments, and surcharges The filled provides that the costs of collection are deducted before the forfeitures, assessments, and surcharges are disbursed that the collection costs are shared by the cities, villages, towns, and countles on whose behalf the forfeitures, assessments, and surcharges are collected.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 66.0114 (1) (d) of the statutes is created to read:

Dhis bill requires each entity on whose behalf the forfeitures of assessments hand surcharges are collected to share proportion to the entity's entitlement to the amount collected.

755.21 Collection. The municipal court may contract with a collection agency for the collection of unpaid forfeitures, assessments, and surcharges under s. 66.0114 (1) (a). The contract shall provide that the collection agency shall be paid from the proceeds recovered by the collection agency.

The net proceeds that the municipal court receives after the payment to the collection agency shall be considered the amount of forfeitures, assessments, and surcharges collected for distribution under

s. 66.0114(1) (bm) and (3) (b) and (c). For each violation for which a

History: 2003 a. 140. forfeiture, assessments or surcharge is imposed;

the municipal court shall determine the amount

to be distributed to each entry under s. 66.0114 (1) (bm)

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Northrop, Lori

From:

Phillips, Matt

Sent:

Monday, July 11, 2005 11:06 AM

To:

LRB.Legal

Subject:

Jacket for LRB 2857/1

Can you jacket LRB 2857 for introduction in both the Senate and the Assembly. Sen. Kedzie will be introducing the bill in the Senate, Rep. Nischke will be introducing the bill in the Assembly.

Thank you.

Matt Phillips
Policy Advisor
Senator Neal Kedzie
Assistant Majority Leader
11th Senate District